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NLC News Bureau

On one of his trips to the United States, Rajah Bhushanam Manikam inspired the following newspaper headlines:

INDIAN POTENTATE
ARRIVES FOR VISIT

A rajah may be a king, a prince, or a chief. But Manikam is none of these. In his case, the "Rajah" is not a title, it's his given name. Which is not to say that he doesn't possess a title. He does.

He is the Rt. Rev. Rajah B. Manikam, Bishop of Tranquebar of the Tamil Evangelical Lutheran Church, with headquarters at Tiruchirapalli in South India.

The first Indian Christian elevated to the episcopal office, his selection as bishop marked recognition of a brilliant career as one of the most outstanding Church leaders in the Far East. He was the unanimous choice of the Church of Sweden Mission and the Leipzig (Germany) Lutheran Mission, the parent bodies of the 50,000-member TELC that had its beginning in 1706.

Bishop Manikam will be one of the principal speakers at the Third Assembly of the Lutheran World Federation in Minneapolis, August 15-25. He is scheduled to address delegates and visitors at the public event planned for Monday evening, August 19, on the topic, "Our Mission to All the World."

Indicative of his high standing in church circles is the fact that Bishop Manikam has been appointed as Harry Emerson Fosdick Visiting Professor at Union Theological Seminary in New York City for 1957-58.

The Indian church leader, who obtained his B.A. and M.A. from the University of Madras, his B.D. from Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia, his Ph.D. from Columbia University, his D.D. from the University of Toronto, and his S.T.D. from the U versity of Erlangen, finds its easier to list the count where he has not traveled, studied or worked, t those where he has.

Bishop Manikam

As a roving ambassador of the Churches he has vis all the countries of East Asia, excepting only Afgh istan, Beluchistan, and Soviet Russia; all of Europe cept Russia, Poland, and Czechoslovakia; also United Kingdom and North America, with Austra New Zealand, Fiji, and Hawaii thrown in for g measure.

He has been in the United States several times, longest stay being 1924-29 when year after year he w merit scholarships at Union Seminary and enjoyed distinction of being appointed Macy Fellow at Columb Before returning home with two degrees, he sp a year teaching at Chicago Lutheran Theological Se nary in Maywood, Ill.

Despite his world view and ecumenical interest, Bi op Manikam remains an Asian, with his roots deep Indian Christian tradition. He speaks out boldly the younger Churches of the Far East and urges l reliance on Western Christendom.

And Western Christendom rather likes being scold by one who speaks pointedly and yet without ran as a Christian brother. In the growing group of Asi churchmen who are now listened to by the West, Raj Manikam's name is in the forefront.

short, stocky man with heavy-set features, the Bishop's ility of expression is one of the most striking things ut him. A high tenor voice, pleasant conversation, is sting and penetrating from the platform. With logic, ity, and conciseness, his rhythmic Indian-English rces home to indifferent ears. He is a crusader, a ssandra, a Christian prophet. His theme is the emer- ce of a new era in Asia.

Rajah Manikam was born at Cuddalore on the Bay Bengal, South India, on April 19, 1897. His parents l grandparents were Christians. His mother's father s an Anglican pastor; his father's father, a Lutheran ool administrator. His high school work was done the Mission High School at Pudukottai, where his ner, the late Kamban Manikam, was headmaster.

After earning his B.A. degree with honors from dras Christian College in 1921, he taught English re while working for his M.A. He had always in- ded to go into government service, but this impetuous ision to teach in a Christian college changed the ole direction of his life. After his marriage to Ruby udasen, daughter of the assistant postmaster-general Madras in 1924, he began an intensive five-year period study and teaching abroad.

ke her husband, Ruby Manikam was the child of rd-generation Christians. She and her twelve brothers l sisters attended morning and evening worship in prayer room in their home. Because her mother and ner were always ready to extend a helping hand anyone in need, their home to this day is known "The Refuge."

While her husband studied and taught, Ruby Mani- n studied, too. When she came to this country she eady had her B.A. from Women's Christian College Madras. She added a B.S. from the New Jersey te College for Women and an M.A. in Bacteriology l public health from the University of Pennsylvania. is preparation enabled her to work as bacteriologist the Norwegian Lutheran Hospital in Chicago while husband taught at the Lutheran Seminary.

n India, she has somehow found time to serve as vincial commissioner for the Girl Guides and has n a member of the women's committee of the Red oss and of many boards of child welfare organizations, pitals, colleges, and schools. For her distinguished mmunity service she has twice been awarded the Kaiser-I-Hind medal and in 1947, when again in the United States, given a Doctor of Humane Letters by Rutgers University.

After returning to India in 1929 via Oxford, where the future Bishop did post-graduate work in the summer, the Manikams spent the next eight years in Guntur. There he served as professor and vice-principal of Andhra Christian College.

In 1937 Dr. Manikam was appointed secretary of the National Christian Council of India at Nagpur, with special responsibility for Christian Higher Education. This Board had supervision over 39 Christian colleges at that time. Later he became executive secretary of the Council.

In that capacity he attended meetings of the International Missionary Council at Tambaram, India, and at Whitby, Canada, and meetings of the World Council of Churches at Amsterdam, Holland, and at Rolle, Switzerland. During these years he learned to know not only the Church in India, but also the Church around the world, and became known himself as an able spokesman for the younger Churches.

In 1951 Dr. Manikam was unanimously elected joint secretary for East Asia of the World Council of Churches and the International Missionary Council. In this post he had a large share in carrying forward the work of the ecumenical movement in that part of the world.

When, in 1955, Rajah Manikam was chosen Bishop of the Tamil Evangelical Lutheran Church in South India, he had been an ordained minister only four years and had never served as a parish pastor. He had lived in the Tamil-speaking area of India only a few years and, as he himself confessed, was hesitant to preach in the Tamil language. Yet no one doubted that he would fill his post well. His past achievements guaranteed that.

In January of 1956 he was consecrated as Bishop of Tranquebar in the little town where 250 years earlier the first Protestant missionary had landed in India. In addition, he also serves as president of the Federation of Evangelical Lutheran Churches in India.

With all his travels and studies, Bishop Manikam has authored six books. His works include Religious Mysticism in India, 1926; Christian Collegiate Education in South India, 1929; The Christian College and the Christian Community, 1938; Christianity and the Asian Revolution, 1954; The Christian Family in Changing East Asia, 1955; The Churches in East Asia, 1956.

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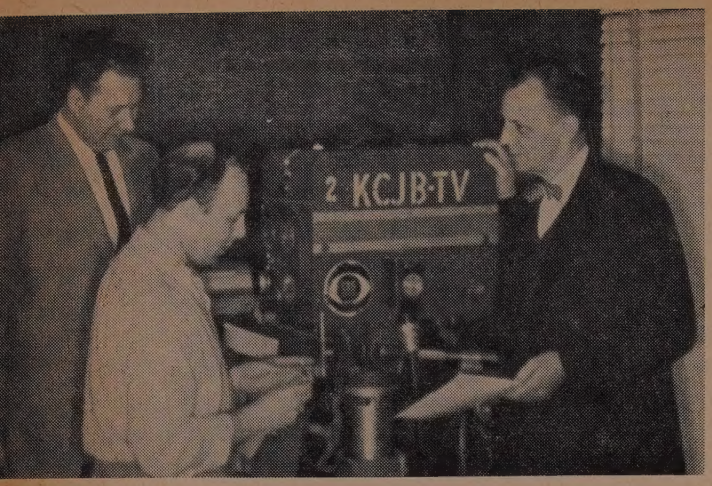


Left to right: Henry Haeusler, engineer; Chester Reiten, manager; Pastor Kildahl.

Some questions are asked and answered . . .

Is television expensive?

Is television effective?

What about the disturbance?

What effect on church attendance?

What about contributions?

Television and Worship

Harold B. Kildahl, Jr.

First Lutheran Church in Minot, N. Dak., was to my knowledge, the first church of the ELC to employ television as a regular medium of worship. From Christmas to Easter, 1956-57, the regular Morning Worship conducted on Sunday morning from 11:00 A.M. to noon was carried to the community and the surrounding area of Minot on KCJB-TV.

The decision to televise the services was made by the Church Council and presented to the congregation for adoption in the form of a budget appropriation for the current year. This proposal was adopted unanimously. The motivation for the use of television was the mission motive, the conviction that the Church has a responsibility to herald the "good news" as effectively and as broadly as possible. A second motivation grew out of an analysis of the area in which First Lutheran serves. Winters in North Dakota are often severe, making regular worship in some of the smaller rural churches impossible. The thought that television would be a means of reaching fellow Lutherans who otherwise would be unable to attend regular worship, the shut-in and older groups in addition to the unchurched or nominally churched people of the area constituted a third motivation.

Now that the projected period of regular telecasts ended, the experiences of First Lutheran may b some value to others who are giving thought to the of televising worship. These experiences can bes shared through a recital of the questions that coul asked concerning this pioneering experience.

The first question: "Isn't television expensive? is. But basically the cost is not the important ques The opportunity far outweighs the cost. The pote audience is so large that whatever the cost invol the results far offset financial considerations. For us cost was $150 per week. This figure did not reflect cost of time; the time was contributed by the sta We paid the cost of engineering, of moving and ins ing portable cameras and other equipment, and cost of manpower (five men were involved in the dling of the telecasts).

It is my own conviction that no church, given portunity to televise worship, should be deterred cause of the costs involved. Missions cost much,

rities cost much; in fact, the operation of a church ts much. Yet we do these things because we are ristian people obeying the Lord's command. Tele- on is a new and modern means of effective evan- ism. It must be measured in spiritual terms, the soul ential, rather than in material terms, the cost.

The second question: "Is television effective?" Ac- ding to the estimates of the station manager, First theran was reaching into the lives of perhaps 20,000 ple every Sunday by televised worship. We know m the comments, the observations, the mail, and the s received that we reached a large listening and wing congregation. In fact, we received information m one community that it was a regular practice for congregation to worship by television during the iod the parish was vacant. The returns received in tributions just about paid the total television cost. e effectiveness of television came to the fore also ough messages received from viewers from other urches, including the Roman Catholic, who either phoned their comments or spoke them in person. are satisfied that the first attempt at televising wor- was highly successful and well received.

The third question: "What about the disturbance ted by lights and cameras? Didn't this disturb the gregation?" Strangely enough, there was no dis- ance—none whatever. We used no added lights. No ineering staff was in sight. The camera was placed the balcony of the church, about 120 feet from the ncel, and it was equipped with wide-angle and tele- to lenses which brought the picture up large and d the screen even when the pastor was preaching. ere was absolutely no disturbance. Worshippers could know that the service was being televised unless they previous knowledge. The worship was not dis- ed, the atmosphere was not changed, the solemnity he hour was not broken.

The fourth question: "What effect did television have your church attendance?" The question has always n raised with the implied certainty that attendance ered. This was not the case. True, for the first three our weeks, we did experience a drop in attendance. also saw a shift of attendance from the 10:00 A.M. he 9:30 A.M. worship hour. But, after three or four ks, attendance regained its usual strength and, in increased somewhat. We greeted many visitors, ple who had been drawn to the church service ough television, some who came literally a hundred es, from Canada, to worship in First Lutheran after having viewed the service on TV. After televising for nineteen weeks I can report that attendance did not suffer. It is my firm belief that television, like radio, will help to build both membership and attendance for any church that uses television consistently.

The fifth question: "Did you ask for contributions?" Yes! Not in an obnoxious or urgent manner, but through an appeal that took this form: The suggestion was made at the time the offering was to be received that viewers might like to share in the responsibilities as well as in the opportunities of worship, by sending gifts to the TV Fund of First Lutheran. Through such an appeal and a suggestion included in the sign-off at the station, which was voluntary on the part of the station manager, we received just about enough contributions and gifts to offset the total cost.

I believe that a consistent program of televised worship would have the effect of creating a core of television worship supporters, and that a radio-television affiliation or membership could be established to unite the viewer with the congregation as such. Every donor to First Lutheran TV was announced in the course of worship except in cases where we were requested to withhold that information, and every donor received a written acknowledgement together with information about First Lutheran. In fact, we enrolled every donor as a member of the radio-television associates of the church.

The sixth question: "Was the congregation as such in sympathy with the idea and the program of television?" Not entirely. There was some skepticism, some doubt about the advisability of the program on the part of some, but only a few to my knowledge. As the program progressed and as its effectiveness became known, what skepticism and doubt existed in the beginning was overcome. There is great enthusiasm for the program on the part of some, and not a few have expressed the desire to have the same program a year hence, from Christmas to Easter.

No doubt there are other questions that could be asked and answered. We have had a pioneering experience with television at Minot, and we believe it was a good experience. In fact, the potential of television as a medium for the Church is so great that no church, given the opportunity to televise, should reject it. The day will come, certainly, and probably much faster than we think now, when the Church will be using television extensively as a tool of evangelism. It would be well for the Lutheran Church and for our own Church to be early on the scene as that day dawns.

EDITORIAL

Obstacles Being Overcome

If a committee of forty or so men *have* to schedule a meeting in the hottest part of the summer, they can do no better than to hold it on the peaceful, beautiful campus of St. Olaf College at Northfield. That is the way the Joint Union Committee reasoned, and so they met there July 10, 11, and 12. It proved an ideal place, and the hospitality of our hosts knew no bounds.

It was a meeting characterized by two things: hard work, and the overcoming of almost all the obstacles remaining between the negotiating Churches and the goal of successful union.

The first of those characteristics need not concern us now; it has been discussed here before. The only thing which justifies another mention is that it does account for the fact that getting church bodies united is such a slow process. The details involved are almost beyond imagining. Imagine spending half an hour discussing the shades of meaning of the various words used in the documents to describe the clergy of the Church; and another half-hour discussing whether a certain sentence should read, "Planning the official curriculum material," or, "Planning and preparing for publication . . ." Uninspiring, to be sure, but decidedly necessary!

About the obstacles which are being overcome: They involve certain matters which have never been satisfactorily resolved. An unresolved problem is, of course, an obstacle to union. Two of the most apparent remaining obstacles were removed at the St. Olaf meeting.

The first of these has to do with the duties of the Board of Trustees in The American Lutheran Church. In an effort to insure democracy in the Church, the ELC has steadfastly insisted on as little power being vested in the Board of Trustees as possible. The ALC has consistently maintained that the documents, as they stand, emasculate that board to the extent that it cannot do its duty. In this they have been seconded by the attorneys of the uniting Churches. It was agreed to make the powers of the Board of Trustees a good deal broader than at first planned, with, however, additional safeguards against centralization.

We confess that we consented with some misgivings. We have all along contended that the twin evils which are so close at hand in a large organizational structure are centralization and bureaucracy. More power in the hands of the Board of Trustees leads in the direction of the former; more in the hands of the division boards leads toward the latter. We hope that time will prove that the Joint Union Committee is recommend sane middle course.

A second area of difficulty has been the mann determining financial support of the colleges. The allocates a larger per cent of its total benevolence b to Higher Education than the ALC. But we have colleges and more students. Therefore, our *per* support is considerably below that of the ALC. S question has been how that disparity could be res in fairness to all. A formula has now been arriv which, in essence, provides that no college shall r less (income permitting) per year in the new C than it received, on the average, before the union. sounds simple, and probably is. But it took a long to arrive at it.

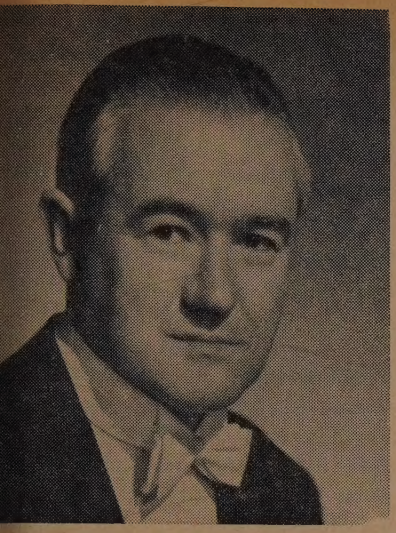
Actually, we do not believe that there are any of real disagreement left between the uniting Chu There is still plenty of disagreement and there ar many things to be ironed out, but in the rema matters the disagreements do not necessarily f synodical lines.

A matter of general interest is that the Commit recommending that the Constituting Convention o around Sunday, April 24, 1960. It had already decided that the Constituting Convention shall be in Minneapolis. Now we know the exact date or, r the Sunday which will be the high point.

Two pictures in this issue illustrate the one time ing the Northfield meetings when the Committee aside its agenda briefly. Readers will recall that i issue of June 4 we printed a resolution of the Union Committee offering congratulations to Evangelical Lutheran Church on its fortieth annive The officers of the Committee had prepared a bea scroll of that resolution. Dr. Henry Schuh, preside the ALC, presented it on behalf of the Committe stead of himself accepting it on behalf of our Ch Dr. Schiotz requested that Dr. Aasgaard, who le Church so long, do so. To make the roster com Dr. William Larsen, president of the United Evang Lutheran Church, offered prayer. This happy ev commemorated by the two pictures we publish week: on the cover, the three presidents studyin scroll; in the news section, Dr. Aasgaard receivi

Another meeting of the Committee is schedule the first days of October. In the meanwhile, a doz more sub-committees are hard at work ironing ou tails. Definitely, this is "the home stretch"!

Organ Concert: E. Power Biggs



uring the coming Assembly of the theran World Federation, Mr. E. wer Biggs, noted American organist, l be coming to Minneapolis to play ledication organ concert on the new ılicker pipe organ in Bethel Lu-ran Church (ELC). There will be o identical concerts Thursday, Aug. at 4:30 and 8:30 P.M. An admis-n fee of $1.50 will be charged.

Mr. Biggs has been acclaimed, not only as one of the leading organists in this country, but also as the one who has done most to revive interest in organ music among the general public. For 13 years he has played a weekly organ recital over CBS. It has usually originated from the Busch-Reisinger Museum at Harvard University, but he has also played from various churches. While he is in Minneapolis Mr. Biggs will tape two recitals at Bethel which will be aired over CBS on September 8 and 15. Recently Mr. Biggs has issued several albums of organ music in which he plays the music of the great masters of the instrument on the organs they themselves used in various cathedrals of Europe. These recordings demonstrate how the classic literature of the organ should sound when given expression on the instruments for which the composers conceived them.

The Schlicker organ at Bethel, which will have 3 manuals and 30 ranks of pipes, is in general tonally modelled after the organs that existed in Bach's time. The pipes are voiced to speak gently on low wind pressure. This gives them a mild tone and excellent blending characteristics with each other as well as with voices and other instruments. The organ stands exposed in the rear gallery of the church, where it commands a dominant position and can speak unimpeded into the nave. One section will be enclosed in a swell box. This type of organ design lends itself particularly well to the playing of the great literature of the organ, a literature which was in great measure written by Lutheran musicians and based on the Lutheran chorale. It is therefore an instrument well suited to use in the Lutheran Church, where a great deal of emphasis is placed on the singing of the chorales. The swell section of the organ is designed to give the instrument more flexibility in the playing of more recent organ literature. This is the only Schlicker organ of this size west of Chicago.

Old "Landstads" Needed

Herman E. Jorgensen

Among the members of our ELC par-es there must surely be some who l own copies of *Landstad's Salme-g*, the hymn book formerly used in ny of our churches. There may, be some churches which still have upply of these books stored some-ere in their basements. I feel sure t owners of such books will be glad learn that these books may be put good use.

n northern Norway there is a group Christians known as Laestadians. ey are staunch Lutherans, but in-ed to be rather conservative in ne respects. Thus, they look with ne disfavor on the revised edition he Landstad hymn book which was horized for use in Norway in 1920. at they object to is in part the dernized spelling, in part the substi-on of newer hymns for some of their old favorites. The Laestadians are regular church attendants, but in addition they also conduct Sunday afternoon and weekday meetings of their own. At these they desire much to use the old edition of the Landstad hymnal; but this is no longer printed in Norway, and old copies are becoming very scarce.

Would it not be a good thing if our copies of the old *Landstad,* now lying idle, could be sent to these fine old Christians in Norway? I venture therefore to ask owners of such books, whether individuals or congregations, to donate such copies as they feel able to do without. I shall have to ask you also to pay transportation charges to Minneapolis, as there is no fund available for such an outlay. Send the books to Professor G. E. Jorgensen, 5237-10th Ave. S., Minneapolis 17, Minn. He has offered to supervise the collection of such books, to prepare them for shipment to Norway, and to provide funds for such shipment. Incidentally, he is a son of the late Rev. C. G. Jorgensen, whom many doubtless will remember as an active solicitor for the Ebenezer Home in Minneapolis.

The transportation costs to Minneapolis will in any event not be excessive. The donors will be compensated through the realization of contributing to the spiritual edification of Christians in very modest financial circumstances.

Please note that the books must be copies of *Landstad's Salmebog,* not the hymn book published by the former Norwegian Synod, as the two books do not correspond in numbering nor, in several instances, in the wording of the hymns.

I have no hesitancy in warmly recommending participation in this project.

1917 – It's

It was my privilege to act as general secretary of the Women's Missionary Federation from 1923 to 1928. During that time the biennial convention was changed from the odd-numbered year to the even, so in that way it was necessary for me to prepare and publish three convention reports: for 1924, 1926, and 1928.

Mrs. I. D. Ylvisaker was the first secretary, Mrs. M. O. Sumstad the second, and I succeeded her. Mrs. Ylvisaker was the president during my term of office, and a very able leader she was. Indeed, I have always felt she was far ahead of her time. She was able to inspire us by showing us the great responsibilities that lay before the women of the Church if we were bound together in a Federation. Like her predecessor, Mrs. T. H. Dahl, her vision was broad and intelligent. She always began the board meetings with excellent devotions. I remember one especially, based on Isaiah 54:2, when she urged the women "to lengthen the cords and strengthen the stakes" and not to be afraid to go forward in the Lord's work.

Motives Were Feared

Mrs. Dahl had organized the women of the United Norwegian Lutheran Church into a more or less cohesive organization whose project became the distribution of Mission Boxes. It must be remembered that the idea of any separate organization of the women was not looked upon with favor by the majority of the pastors and congregations. One frequently heard such expressions as a "Church within a Church"; something to be feared, surely. This mistrust was shared by many women also.

But God certainly had His hand in the selection of the first officers and Board, for without exception they were consecrated, high-minded women. Many of them were pastors' wives and well acquainted with the church bodies to which they had belonged, and also with the officers and leaders of the three synods which had united in 1917 to form the Norwegian Lutheran Church of America. They were also well aware of the opposition that would be met and the necessity of proceeding slowly and carefully.

Going Was Up-hill

How we struggled to get adequate membership lists so that the women could be reached by letter and the few pieces of literature we had could be sent to them. It was certainly discouraging. Added to this was the fact that we had no office space and no secretaries; the work of sending handwritten letters had to be parc out to anyone who was willin help. It is indeed a joy to visit WMF office now and see how effici things are handled and the adeq office space that is provided. In early days a small, dusty, windov room was all that could be spared a Federation office.

It is unnecessary here to mention time-consuming and exhausting that went into the revisions of Constitution and By-Laws, for goes on and on; the planning of triplicate report cards; the cu phrasing of our purpose; adopting emblem and a membership pin many matters to be decided upon the hope that they would stand test of time, at least some of them.

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come the opposition, expressed or hidden, to this large organization which might get out of hand if not carefully watched.

The department secretaries always brought encouraging reports and the plans they had for their particular interests. These meetings were not all "work and worry," but were enlivened by good fellowship, cheerful dinners, and the common bond of mutual understanding and love for the great work which we were trying to promote.

Also during this time we were given one page a month in LUTHERAN HERALD to bring news and information about the WMF to the women. This meager beginning was the forerunner of the *News Bulletin* and the excellent *Messenger* which we now enjoy.

We Tried to Inform

In order to interest the Seminarians in the Federation, Mrs. Ylvisaker suggested that we invite the senior class to a dinner. So for several years we enjoyed an evening of fellowship with these fine young men, so soon to enter the active ministry. Several speakers presented the work and the aims of the WMF. The department secretaries told of what was being done in their particular branch of the work. The literature we had at the time was given each guest. The response was enthusiastic and the men seemed very grateful to their hostesses. We all felt they were evenings well spent. I was somewhat surprised when a student once asked me soberly if I had "anything to do with the Federation." When I told him I was on the General Board he seemed quite disgusted!

In 1926 I was sent as a fraternal delegate to the Women's Missionary Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America, held in Greensboro, North Carolina. I was delighted to go and to renew acquaintance with many of the women I had learned to admire and love during the time we lived in Columbia, South Carolina. They had gone through the merger of four synods, in 1918. It was a large and vigorous organization and I was fascinated to observe the dispatch with which they conducted their meetings, and to hear the many excellent speakers on the program.

I came back to our Board enthusiastic about the possibility of adopting some of their methods. In my report I stressed the idea of having a timekeeper at our Conventions (as a time saver); a parliamentarian; a committee on minutes; an official membership pin; and an Installation Service. Now all these things are accepted as a matter of course, but I assure you they were viewed, most of them, rather skeptically, especially the Installation Service, which savored too much of Lodge rituals.

To Serve Him Was Our Goal

We were inept and inexperienced in planning the future of so large an organization, but our aims were high and we had a sense of the magnitude of the undertaking, and knew that with God's help and blessing it would succeed. We were willing to be used of Him and were consecrated to the task. Surely, we sensed that "it is through testing that we are made to see our emptiness and God's fulness, our weaknesses and His Almighty strength." Being a member of the General Board was a rich and rewarding experience, and I am grateful for it.

As we have watched the growth of the WMF through the years, our hearts have thrilled and we have gratefully sensed the blessings that God has showered upon the work; grateful, too, for the thousands of women, young and old, that He has called into the work. Not least is the satisfaction that so many of them are college-trained and experienced in organization work.

And now the curtain has been drawn back to give you a glimpse of the early days of the WMF as I know it.

As always, my prayers and best wishes are for the continued growth of the Federation.

MRS. GEORGE T. RYGH

Meditations for the Family Altar

J. R. Heste

TOWARD THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

The Epistle: Romans 5:1-11 **The Gospel: Luke 12:4**

Monday, August 12
IF IT HAPPENS

Read I Corinthians 10:6-13

But with the temptation will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

Perhaps it is wrong to say, "If it happens," because actually there is no "if" about it. Temptation comes. In fact it is thrown at us from the right and the left.

But the fact that we do live in the midst of temptation does not frighten us so long as we know that God is aware of the fact, and being aware of it, stands by our side. He provides the "way of escape" from temptation.

It is a part of Christian wisdom to be aware of the way out if suddenly cornered by temptation. It is a part also of Christian common sense to make use of the escapes God provides.

When tempted to sin, one escape is to pray to God immediately. Bringing God into the situation heightens the wrongness of sin. And God will strengthen us to fight down the temptation. The angels of God minister to those who seek to be obedient to His will.

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Tuesday, August 13
STEWARDSHIP

Read Luke 16:1-9

"For the sons of this world are wiser in their own generation than the sons of light."

In this parable Jesus is not saying that worldly people are better than Christians. This would be in reverse to everything else He said. But He is saying that worldly people handle their affairs with a keener interest and sharper dealings than Christians handle things of eternal value.

For instance, here is a man of the world who has nothing to live for but a thriving business. He takes care of that business with all he has. He improves it, protects it, loves it. He knows it needs his attention if it shall prosper. But what is he devoting himself so whole-heartedly to? To something temporary.

The lesson for Christians is that since they are in possession of eternal values, they must be guarded, cultivated, tended. Never are they to be handled carelessly. As sons of light they must be wiser than the children of the world.

Keep me watchful, dear God. Amen.

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Wednesday, August 14
THE WAY IN

Read Romans 5:1-11

Through him we have obtained ... to this grace in which we stand.

There is only one way in. Suppos... imagined a stronghold whose doors ... heavily guarded so no one could e... Then, one day a stranger was found ... in, and was asked, "How did you get ... If he should answer, "Oh, I made ... own way in," he would be telling a ... faced lie. If he should reply, "I wa... through the doors and past the guard... a friend," that would make sense.

Entry into grace is made only one ... Jesus said, "I am the door; if any... enters by me, he will be saved, and ... go in and out and find pasture. To Th... as He said, "I am the way, and the t... and the life; no one comes to the Fa... but by me." Paul restated the same t... when he said, "Therefore, since we ... justified by faith, we have peace with ... through our Lord Jesus Christ."

There are many "ways" in this life ... there is only one way into the Kingdo...

Lead Thou my steps, O Jesus. A...

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Thursday, August 15
AROUND HIS WORD

Read John 5:39-47

"You search the scriptures, because you think that in them you have eternal life."

Today the Lutheran World Federation Assembly opens its session in Minneapolis. It brings together Lutheran leaders from all over the world. They will assemble in the Name of the Triune God and all that is spoken and done will be centered in the precious Word of God.

Christians everywhere and particularly those of the Lutheran expression, should join in prayer for this great meeting, that God will use it mightily in His own purposes, and that the Church shall be strengthened to fulfill its world mission.

The theme of the Assembly is "Christ Frees and Unites." He frees us from the bonds of sin. He unites us in the fellowship of the faith. The message of freedom in Christ must be brought to the world. Children of God must unite their forces so that together with Christ and His Spirit the world may be won to Him.

God bless the Assembly. Amen.

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Friday, August 16
JOY OF WORK

Read II Thessalonians 3:10-13

For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work.

It isn't while we are busy and working that we get ourselves into trouble; it's while we are loafing, on our off-hours, at our play. To be at work, to be occupied, is to be happy and useful to life.

Paul was not saying that we have to work all around the clock. He was talking about those whose whole course of daily life was one long picnic. They were idle, and not being happy that way found something to do which turned out to be busybodying—being unduly interested in other people's affairs and publishing the same.

The machinery of life is geared down to every person for each person has a part in the smooth working of the machine. Either we are productive or we are a drag. To be industrious and helpful to man is to glorify God. To be a workman is to have true contentment and joy.

Help me to keep busy, O God, with my hands and my heart. Amen.

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Saturday, August 17
DIVIDED LOYALTY

Read Luke 16:10-17

"No servant can serve two masters; ... either he will hate the one and love ... other, or he will be devoted to the ... and despise the other."

Jesus makes it plain that any one ... tries to love two different things at ... same time is setting out to do the im... sible. Either we love God or we do ... Either we love and worship Christ or ... do not. There can be no such thing as ... and another god. There can be no ... thing as Christ and another. It is a m... of either—or.

For this reason, to make a thoro... success of our Christianity, we sh... pray God to consecrate us to Himself ... will aid us mightily to devote ourselv... His will, and keep us from serving ... of this world. God is a jealous God ... allows for no rivals. If He has aske... to love and serve Him, He will also ... us faithfulness so that we can do so ... of dangerous rivals.

Fill me with devotion to Thee, O G... so that I serve Thee alone. Amen.

Correspondence

No Longer Lutheran?

►A learned doctor of theology writes in a treatise on doctrines of the Christian Church, that the Lutherans of America are no longer "Lutheran." They have become Reformist. Reader Folsland in your July 9 issue seems to support that claim. Surely, when Lutherans hold the Galesburg Rule (Lutheran pastors for Lutheran pulpits, Lutheran altars for Lutheran communicants), in accordance with the Augsburg Confession, it would be hypocritical and profane to participate in religious activities of those who profess false doctrine. God has commanded in Romans 17 to mark them and avoid them. How can any sincere Christian who values the purity of doctrine above everything, bow his head, when the liturgist offers prayer based on doctrine reached through reason or misinterpreted Scripture? That is sin. And for the Lutheran, who must be conscious of the sin, it is doubly bad.

In the lives of devout, pious Christians, the Holy Spirit is daily working repentance and growth in a sound and real way through the Word and Sacraments in the Lutheran liturgy, Bible classes, and home altars. This kind of Christianity does not have the emotional outburst and instability of a Reformist revival.

F. E. Nelson
Lackland A.F.B. Texas

Two Criticisms

►Regarding your comment on Billy Graham in the June 18 issue, I beg to differ. We are staunch Lutherans, but we heartily support Billy Graham's work.

You intimate that Billy is being guided too much by "a glorious sense in my soul" in determining the length of the Crusade. The next two paragraphs are taken from the *Christian Century,* which was "shocked at (the Crusade's) mechanization." Looks as as if Billy can't please you.

Is the devil pumping complacency into us? If you love the Kingdom of God, pray for Billy and his converts, his inspiration, and his organization. Are we doing better ourselves, or are we criticizing to avoid facing our own failure to accomplish what he is accomplishing?

In the same issue you advocate forcing the admission of more Hungarians into this country. I understand they are needed and wanted in Australia, which surely is not a totalitarian state. Perhaps it is unjust that many people in the world are not allowed to live in or go to any country they wish. But are there not other needs of our fellow men which cry out even more for our efforts?

Theodore C. Halladay
Brainerd, Minn.

"Ernie's Churches"

►"Help Ernie's Churches! Have your car washed; $1.00: Buy Chocolate Chip Cookies—$.25 a dozen." So read the posters at the church one weekend. At the end of the next week the 32 children enrolled in Vacation Bible School had earned $59.40 for Ernie's Churches, working for every cent of it themselves.

It all began as we started studying about the Ephphatha Mission and Bread of Life Church, the two ELC churches for the deaf. We knew we wanted to help the work in some way, earning the money ourselves. But how? Grades 1-4 volunteered to ask their parents for small jobs that they could do to earn money for "Ernie's Churches." The nine girls in the upper four grades decided a cookie making bee was to be their project. They would take orders for chocolate chip cookies, and stay after Bible School one afternoon to bake them. And bake cookies they did! They sold 119 dozen, clearing $25.50.

The eight boys in grades 5-8 decided that washing cars would be the way that they would earn their money. The afternoon they worked, they washed 20 cars earning $20.50. They also earned $2.00 by catching an untamed mother cat and her three kittens, delivering them to a neighbor.

On the Friday evening of our Bible School program we reported to the congregation on the results of what we had been doing during the two weeks.

The congregation was thanked for their support of the project, but they too received something very special from seeing the eagerness with which the boys and girls had worked to earn their money for Ernie's Churches.

Mrs. Lloyd Kopperud
Canby, Minn.

"Ernie's Churches" is a film strip describing the work of our two congregations for the deaf.—The Editor.

Is Norway Paganized?

►I have just been reading my own article under the above caption in the July 23 issue of the Herald. Perhaps it is self-evident, but on page 707, column 1, line 12, the word "material" should have been "marital."

Near the end of the article, where I speak of "the independent Christian organizations," it startled me to find this sentence (line 14 and 15 from below): "Their work is both intrusive and extrusive and must not be discounted." Those words are not in my original draft, and I am at a loss to know how they got in there. Nor do I understand what they are supposed to mean. Leave them out, and the connection is not broken.

N. Astrup Larsen
Decorah, Iowa

Our apologies to Dr. Larsen. Evidently we were not altogether successful in deciphering his handwriting! The sentence, "Their work is both intrusive and extrusive and must not be discounted," certainly looks that way on the manuscript. It should, however, no doubt, be "both intensive and extensive."—The Editor

THE CHURCH in Today's World

Merger Issues Settled

All remaining major problems referred to the Joint Union Committee of the three Lutheran church bodies scheduled to merge in 1960 were settled at a three-day meeting on the campus of St. Olaf College.

About the Cover

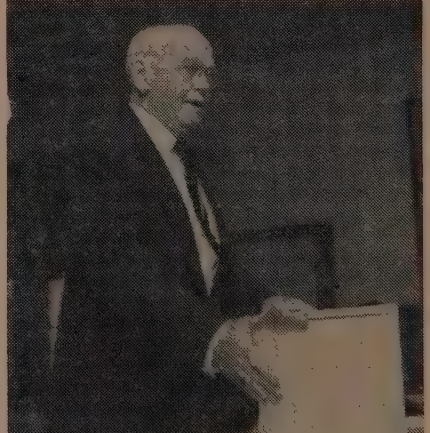
Presidents of the three uniting churches study the plaque presented at the Joint Union Committee meeting honoring the ELC's 40th anniversary. Left to right they are Dr. William Larsen (UELC), Dr. Henry Schuh (ALC), and Dr. F. A. Schiotz (ELC).

The points of difference that were disposed of at the session, July 10-12, centered in the authority and the operations of the Board of Trustees of the new Church and in the ownership and financing of its colleges.

The Joint Union Committee represents the Evangelical, American and United Evangelical Lutheran Churches, all of which are officially committed to unite in The American Lutheran Church. Since the 1956 conventions of the uniting Churches, the JUC has been dealing with questions referred to it by those assemblies and with reports from the joint boards on details of the operation of the new Church.

The JUC approved changes in the constitution and by-laws of TALC proposed by the joint Boards of Trustees. The intent of these changes is to outline with greater clearness the precise powers of the Board of Trustees and, in general, to strengthen its authority. Most important of the constitutional changes approved by the JUC dealt with a section which originally said, "The Board of Trustees shall have charge of the general management and control of the business affairs of The American Lutheran Church not otherwise assigned in the Constitution or By-laws or by the General Convention."

The JUC endorsed a proposal from the joint Boards of Trustees to omit the final portion of this section, so that it will read: "The Board of Trustees shall have charge of the general management and control of the business affairs of The American Lutheran Church." During the discussion of this point a promise was made that somewhere in the union documents a statement will be included that all boards of the new Church are subject to the constitution, by-laws, articles of union and articles of incorporation of TALC.



Dr. J. A. Aasgaard, president-emeritus of the ELC, speaks to the recent Joint Union Committee meeting after receiving the plaque honoring the ELC's 40th anniversary.

Union Date Set

The civic auditorium in Minneapolis has been tentatively engaged by the Joint Union Committee for April 24-26, 1960, with a view to holding a public service in it on Sunday, April 24, and sessions of the constituting convention of The American Lutheran Church succeeding days.

Hope was expressed at the meeting of the JUC that the organization of The American Lutheran Church could be effected on Saturday, April 23, so that it would be as members of The American Lutheran Church that the convention throng would gather for worship on the following day. Actual functioning of the new organization is to begin on January 1, 1961. Prior to that date each uniting Church will have certified and transferred all of its assets to The American Lutheran Church.

Billy Goes On

Billy Graham headquarters has announced that the evangelist's New York Crusade, scheduled to close July 20, will be extended three weeks to Aug. 10. The crusade which opened in Madison Square Garden May 15, will have then run 12½ weeks, the longest campaign Mr. Graham has ever conducted in any city either in this country or abroad. Total attendance for the first 59 days of the crusade in the huge indoor arena reached 1,084,100 with 34,640 making "decisions for Christ," the Graham headquarters said.

Hungarian Lutherans Meet

Gratitude to Lutherans throughout the world for their "generous" aid to Hungarian co-religionists in "recent difficult times" was voiced in a report adopted at the first General Assembly of the Hungarian Lutheran Church since July, 1954.

The report was presented by Bishop Lajos Ordass, acting head of the Church, who said Hungarian Lutherans "have kept up brotherly contact with World Lutheranism for a long time." Main business of the meeting was the election of new officials. Those chosen and the offices they will fill are: Pastor Emery Veoreos of Kecskemet (general secretary), Pastor Andrew Keken (ministerial notary general) and Aladar Veisz, a lawyer (lay notary general). Pastor Keken and Mr. Veisz live in Budapest.

The Assembly confirmed previous announcements that the Church would send a six-man delegation to the Third Assembly of the Lutheran World Federation.

Catholics Urged to Visit

Roman Catholics of the free world ıould jump at any chance to visit their ›-religionists behind the Iron Curtain, ı American priest back from a two-ıd-a-half week stay in Czechoslovakia ıid.

"These visits will be like 'shots in ıe arm' to people who are forced › live under the Communist system," :cording to the Rev. George Varga, ho said he was the first priest from ımerica to visit Czechoslovakia since ıe Communist seizure in 1948.

Father Varga is assistant pastor of ıe Immaculate Conception Church, rookville, Pa. A naturalized citizen, e was born in Slovakia and served for time as chaplain to Czechoslovak atholics in exile. This was after his rdination in 1942 by the late Bernard ardinal Griffin, Archbishop of West-ıinster, England. He made his priestly tudies in London and Poland.

"The struggle between Communism nd Christianity will not be resolved by war or economic blockades or pressures, but by the triumph of ideas," he said, "hence the importance of intelligent and informed Catholics acting as 'ambassadors' of the Faith and seizing every opportunity to intermingle with the peoples of the satellite countries. The time is overripe to stop regarding the Russian bid for competition with the free world in all fields, cultural as well as economic, as a bluff, but as a real challenge."

Texas Hotel Purchased

"Delta Lake Manor" is the name of a new Christian residence for retired people located near Elsa, Texas and recently purchased by the Lutheran Good Samaritan Society. The property is a former hotel and offers facilities for about 100 guests. It is located near the gulf of Mexico in the lower Rio Grande valley. A spiritual program is being planned for the residents by the society, which operates 45 homes and hospitals in 12 states.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMAN ORDAINED — The first woman minister in the New York Presbytery, Mrs. Elizabeth Ehling, is shown after her ordination with the Rev. James Robinson, pastor of the interracial Church of the Master of which she will become the assistant minister.

AWYERS ATTEND SERVICE—Dean James A. Pike of the Cathedral of St. John the ivine in New York (right) leads a procession at a service attended by some 4,000 Protes-ants, most of them lawyers and their families. With him is David Maxwell, president of he American Bar Association. The service was part of the association's annual convention. Dean Pike is a former lawyer and law teacher.

Within the ELC

Help Future Pastors

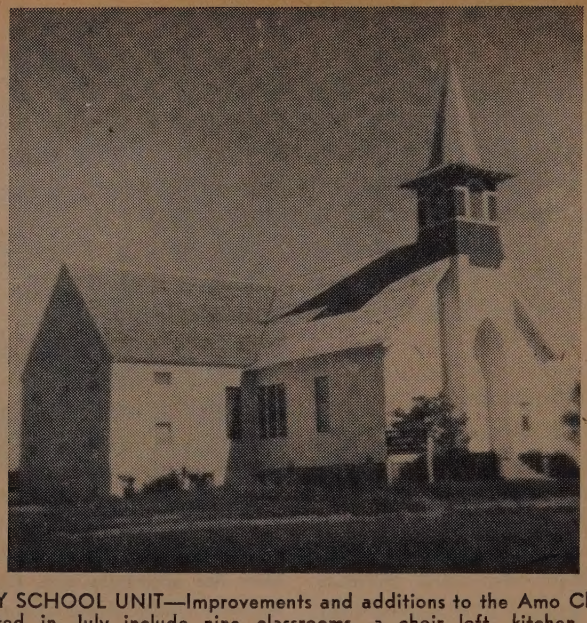
A rather unusual type of fund has been set up as the result of memorials given in memory of the Rev. and Mrs. Severtson of Eagle Grove, Ia. who died as the result of an automobile accident in July. Money received has been designated as an "Ordination Fund" out of which $100 will be given to each son of the parish ordained into the ministry. The first to receive the grant is the Rev. Gerhard Knutson, to be ordained August 11.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

In desirable cooperation with the Minneapolis Convention Bureau to the extent necessary, and in deference to the meeting of the UN-affiliated World Health Organization recently scheduled for Minneapolis, May 26-June 14, 1958, the following revised announcement is hereby published:

The 1958 General Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Church will be held, God willing, in Central Lutheran Church, Minneapolis, Minnesota, June 18-25, 1958.

O. H. HOVE
General Secretary



NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL UNIT—Improvements and additions to the Amo Church, Storden, Minn. dedicated in July include nine classrooms, a choir loft, kitchen and complete redecoration of the church. A former pastor, the Rev. Clarence A. M. Benson, preached at the services and performed the rites of dedication. A new organ was dedicated two weeks later. The Rev. Roy M. Hendrickson is pastor of the Amo-Bethany parish.

Churches

Lyle, Minn.—Members of Trinity parish, Lyle, Minn., which includes three churches, voted recently to begin the erection of a new parsonage for their pastor, the Rev. Stanford O. Stenson.

Moorhead, Minn.—Sixtieth anniversary, cornerstone laying and dedication services were held recently at the new North Buffalo Lutheran Church, 11 miles north of Moorhead. Dr. A. E. Hanson, president of the Northern Minnesota district conducted dedicatory rites and the Rev. M. G. Hagen gave an anniversary sermon in the morning. The Rev. E. N. Torgerson has been pastor of the parish since June 1.

Santa Clara, Calif.—Hope Church, the Rev. Vance R. Knutson pastor, was organized on July 2 with 162 charter members. First worship services were held on March 10 and Sunday school started one week later.

People

The Rev. Norris Olson who has served a three-congregation parish centering in Menomonie, Wis. for the past 14 years, has resigned to accept a call to St. Paul's Church, Pontiac, Ill., effective October 1. Christ Church, one of the three churches in the parish, has voted to become a self-sustaining church.

The Rev. and Mrs. Leonard Nypen of the Wolverton - Comstock - Rustad parish near Comstock, Minn. were honored recently on the occasion of their 25th wedding anniversary.

The Rev. Johnnie Glad was installed last month as pastor of the Bethany Church, Succasumma, N. J. by the Rev. C. O. Pederson, president of the Atlantic circuit.

The Rev. Hoover T. Grimsby, pastor of Ascension Church, was recently appointed Lutheran chaplain of the Milwaukee, Wis. fire department. He was also renominated chairman of the Crime Commission of the city.

After completing a year's study at Harvard University Divinity School, **the Rev. S. Philip Froiland** has accepted a call to Central Church, Chippewa Falls, Wis. and began work there July 1.

The Rev. and Mrs. O. L. Levorson of Hartington, Nebr. were honored in June by their congregation on the occasion of their 25th wedding anniversary and the 25th anniversary of Pastor Levorson's ordination.

The Rev. Albert H. Holm has resigned as pastor of the LaSalle, Minn. parish to accept a call from Hendricks, Minn. He will move the last week in August.

The three congregations of the H ant, S. Dak. parish held open ho June 30 on the occasion of the 4 wedding anniversary of **the Rev.** a **Mrs. Henry J. Peterson** who h served the Bryant parish for 26 ye

The Rev. S. W. Gulsvig was recen installed as pastor of the Slayton, Mi parish of which he has been inte pastor since the first of the year.

Obituaries

The Rev. Carl B. Ingebrigtson d on June 25 at the Lutheran Sun Home in Clifton, Texas, and w buried in the Freeborn Central Chu Cemetery, Albert Lea, Minn. on Ju 29. Pastor Ingebrigtson was born May 2, 1869 in Albert Lea, Mi He attended Luther Academy, Willm Seminary, Luther College, and Luth Seminary. He was an active pastor the ELC for over fifty years, beginni in 1897 at Rockford, Wash. After t years in Rockford, he served in t following parishes: Wheaton and H chester, Minn.; Gaylord, Tuttle, Le ard, Lakota, Williston, and Montpeli N. Dak.; and finally as an assistant one of the Fargo parishes. His fi wife, Marie Glesne, died in 1906; 1908 he married Gustine Bugge, w died in 1952. Surviving him are t brothers, two sons, two daughters, a thirteen grandchildren.

The Rev. Edward Nervig, Canto S. Dak., died July 9. Funeral servic were held at Canton Lutheran Churc the local pastor, the Rev. Marvin Ry officiating.

Pastor Nervig was born Nov. 1880, near Sweetwater, Neb. He w educated at St. Olaf College and t United Church Seminary. Ordained 1908, he served pastorates in Badg Ia., Albert Lea, Minn., New Ric land, Minn., and Canton, S. Dak. H retired from the ministry in 1943 b cause of illness. In 1915 Pastor Nerv was united in marriage to Hazel M Williams, who survives him, togeth with one daughter and five sons. Tw of the sons are pastors of the EL Edward W., Aberdeen, S. Dak., a Robert, Brooklyn, N. Y.

The Rev. Erling R. Estrem died Fargo, N. Dak., hospital July 9 fo lowing a lengthy illness due to le kemia. Pastor Estrem was born

enver, Col., Jan. 26, 1916, and spent childhood and youth at Coopers-vn and Maddock, N. Dak., where father, the Rev. G. R. Estrem, was stor. He was a graduate of Luther llege and Luther Theological Semi-ry. Ordained in 1944, he served pas-rates at Baudette, Minn., Shepherd, ont., Bottineau, N. Dak., and Beth-lem Church, Fargo. Pastor Estrem as director of the Choral Union of e North Dakota district for six years. e is survived by his wife, the former ora Danielson, and three children, as ell as by his parents, two brothers, d three sisters.

Funeral services were held at Beth-lem Church and at Olivet Church, th in Fargo.

Mrs. Martha Svanoe, wife of the ev. Atle Svanoe, died in Madison, Vis. on July 10 at the age of 80 years. rs. Svanoe was born Jan. 13, 1877 in ission Hill, S. Dak. She was gradu-ed from the Lutheran Normal School Sioux Falls, S. Dak. and taught at acific Lutheran and Grand Forks col-ges as well as at several rural and rochial schools. She was married in 906 to the Rev. Atle Svanoe. The mily lived in Greenwood, Wis., Mis-on Hills, Canton and Sioux Falls, S. ak.; spent 10 years in Norway (1909-9) and the last several years in Madi-n, Wis. Funeral services were held in angen Church, Mission Hills, S. Dak., church of which Mrs. Svanoe's par-nts were charter members. Survivors clude her husband, five sons and one aughter.

Announcements

Correction: The luncheon for Diac-nal Service during the LWF will be eld Aug. 19 rather than Aug. 17.

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143-acre equipped turkey ranch near Willmar, Minn. Handles 35,000 birds confined. Gas brooding with 40x80 brooder; automatic watering; bulk feeds; corn crib; 3 floor barn; portable storage bldgs. 8 room modern house. Price: $47,500. 523-1A

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180-acres with 140 open. Nice modern home; barn; dble. garage; corn crib, granary, hog house, well house and silo. Price: $18,000 or terms, 30% down. In Todd Co., Minn. 523-6A

120-acres, 60 open. 4 room house with full basement. Barn with 18 stanchions, 16 head cattle; tractor, plow, cultivator, tools, chicken house, silo and garage. Price: $10,500. Good roads. Luth. community. 523-7A

122-acres with 100 open in C. Minn. Barn 70x32 with 22 stanchions, 60 ft. machine shed and garage, hog house; chicken house; silo, corn crib and feed shed. 6 room modern house. Luth. community. 523-8A

Homes

N. Minn. lake home on good hwy. Fully modern with gas heat. Ideal for retired couple. 523-9B

Large home with 5 bedrooms, kitchen, dining and living room and bath. 2 porches on first floor and sleeping porch on second. Near transportation and St. Paul Campus. 523-10B

Businesses

Resort in N. Minn. 9 modern housekeeping cabins, 4 bedroom modern home, lodge room, 18 acres wooded and some cleared for playground. All kinds recreational facilities. Capacity business last 11 yrs. 523-11C

Sporting goods store for sale in midwestern city with pop. area of 200,000. Owner retiring. Reasonable financial terms can be made to right party. 523-12C

An established and thriving combination grocery with locker plant and restaurant business. Catering to college people in S. Minn. college town. Living quarters above store. Owner wishes to retire. 523-13C

WANTED TO BUY

Businesses

Wanted to buy a good motel, preferably in Minn. 523-14C

FOR RENT

Homes

Room for rent for one working girl; south of Lake Street. Kitchen privileges in private home; near transportation. No smoking or drinking. 523-15B

Businesses

Good brick bldg. 26x80 suitable for restaurant, variety or general store in modern Red River Valley city of 1,000 pop. Reasonable rent. 523-16C

Bldg. available for rent or to buy in town of 500 pop. in E. S. Dak. Was formerly used as grocery and dry goods store. Excellent for business bldg. ELC church in town. 523-17C

WANTED TO RENT

Homes

Married couple desires to rent a dble. bungalow not to exceed $90, in St. Paul or South St. Paul; would consider first floor apartment. Must be available in August. Would like living, dining room, 2 bedrooms, kitchen and bath. Prefer furnished gas heat. 523-18B

POSITION WANTED

Position as Bldgs. and Grounds Supt. Graduate C. E. Familiar with administration and operation of large physical plant. 15 yrs. general construction and engineering. Last 8 yrs. with large NW University as Asst. Supt. 523-19E

Middle aged woman desires work in private home as cook, housekeeper or companion. Prefers Twin Cities. 523-20D

Experienced young lady interested in immediate parish work. Could involve office work, youth activities, visitation, League Advisor, etc. 523-21D

Luther Seminary senior desires part-time caretaker position in exchange for apartment beginning Sept. 1st. Have 4th class engineer's license. 523-22E

Exp. parts manager for International Harvester and Gen. Motors with bookkeeping exp. desires position preferably in Minn. with ELC location. 523-23E

Man desires farm work on shares and a home in Lutheran rural area in S. Dak. or Neb. 523-24E

HELP WANTED

Housekeeper needed in modern farm home in S. Minn. 3 motherless pre-school children. To have complete charge of household. 523-25F

Reliable Christian woman wanted to live in and be helper and companion to elderly lady in N. Ia. beginning the middle of August. All modern home, 1 block from ELC church. 523-26F

A mortician in N.E. Mont. County seat city of 4,000 pop. Predominantly Lutheran. Good wheat and stock farming community, also in oil area. 523-27G

Maintenance man; gas fired boilers, general repair work. Apartment provided. Employment for wife possible. 523-28G

Semi-retired couple to operate a beef farm in S.E. Minn. Lutheran church 1½ miles from farm. 523-29G

Vital youth director in parish of 2200 in Calif. day school and total staff of 27 full-time workers. Counselling, spiritual guidance, recreation sports, group dynamics and initiating a new total youth program. Applicant must be Lutheran. 523-30G

E. S. Dak. town of 500 pop. needs M.D. City hospital and opportunity to make good. Community willing to help if needed and also to build clinic bldg. Near lakes. 523-31G

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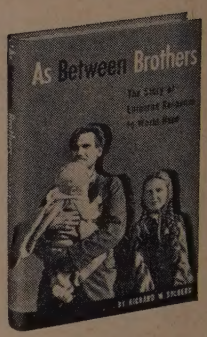

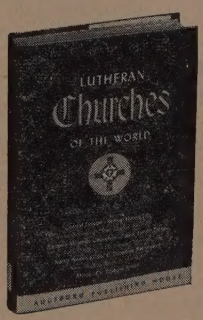

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